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TO : C M J

SUBJECT : Relatives behind the Iron Curtain.

1. My wife Mrs.Salme Kurgvel received the information that her mother Mrs.Ida EPLER, 76, has died in Estonia on 16 June 1957. Reason of death: heart ailment and undiscovered tumor.

2. This information came from Mr.Heinrich LIBLIK, uncle of my wife, who sent a letter from Estonia to Paris, France, to his sister Miss Helene LIBLIK. Miss Liblik forwarded the news to my wife.

3. Mr.Heinrich LIBLIK, 73, pensioner since last year, (after having worked at "Kreenholm" Mills in Narva for more than 50 years), is godfather of my wife. He gave his address to Miss Liblik: NARVA, Kreenholm, Haigla tänav Nr.4-60. This was the first letter my wife thinks Heinrich has written to her sister in Paris: he never was a "writer", although a good and friendly talker.

4. From Soviet Estonian newspaper "Rahva Hääli", 11 may and 14 may 1957, I found that Mr.Heinrich Liblik has been elected by the "Kreenholm Mills" workers as a representative to the City Committee of Narva. His photograph, together with photographs of five other oldest workers or pensioners of the Kreenholm Mills was published on the occasion of 100 anniversary of the Mills.

5. I know Mr.Liblik since 1926. He was a good Estonian patriot who was interested in political life of the country, but did not participate in it actively, excepted our talks in a close family circle where he always showed a firm anti-communist stand through all the time of our contacts, up to 1944. It is my strong belief that he has not changed his mind, and that he was elected to the City ~~Committee~~ "Soviets" by his real friends, - workers who liked him as a good and honest man.

6. I informed my wife of his uncle's role as a member of City Committee. She agrees with me, that Mr.Liblik certainly is not a communist.

7. I find that the information in above mentioned newspapers confirms this our belief: there is not a single hint on politics connected with Mr.Liblik in these papers.

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